

REMARKS

Claims 63, 70, 71, 75, 98-101, 103-107, 109 and 112 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over various claims of commonly owned U.S. Patent No. 6,695,882. In response to the obviousness-type double patenting rejection, the Applicant has submitted a Terminal Disclaimer herewith in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) along with the requisite fee, and respectfully requests withdrawal of the double patenting rejection.

The Applicant submits that the Terminal Disclaimer is effective to obviate the double patenting rejection. No other rejections or objections were set forth in the final Office Action. Accordingly, the Applicant submits that the subject application is now in condition for allowance.

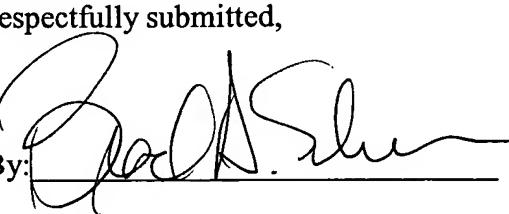
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the Applicant's application is now in condition for allowance with pending claims 63 and 70-114.

Reconsideration of the subject application is respectfully requested. Timely action towards a Notice of Allowability is hereby solicited. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned by telephone to resolve any outstanding matters concerning the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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